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Tokyo Olympic Stadium*

*The stadium had hosted the 1964 Olympic Games. It became a key place for athletes and youth groups in Japan.



Those Who Will Never Return

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Right now, the final for the cup must be starting in Yokohama.
I'm sure that you wanted to go, Tom-dan.



No, you're the one who wanted to go, Kaishida.
But what's important is our final match!



Yes. We promised to meet each other here. It doesn't matter that there aren't any spectators...



It's enough that Time is here, watching us



But she looks sad, our Tcho. Don't you think?
Don't talk about her like that! She's mine!



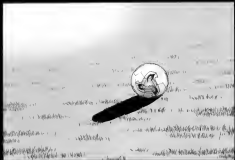
No... she's MINE!





I had two childhood friends,
Kishida and Ton-dan





I really mean the "bad" part, because they've been dead for 4 years now




We were part of the same sports club and
promised that we would meet again in
a match at the Olympic Stadium



Maybe they're fighting over the ball somewhere on that field



A black and white photograph showing a person with long hair, seen from behind, sitting on a row of stadium seats. They are looking out over a large, empty stadium towards a night sky filled with numerous bright streaks of light, resembling a meteor shower. The stadium floor and seating area are visible in the foreground and middle ground, leading the eye towards the horizon and the sky.

The stars are already on their way back,
leaving behind those who will never return.